

PREVIEW MEN'S SPRINT CLASSIC STYLE LAHTI – Saturday 25 Mar 2023

Johannes Høsflot Klæbo

- Johannes Høsflot Klæbo has won 18 individual World Cup events this season, the most by a man in a single season. If Klæbo wins the remaining two events he will equal the record by any cross-country skier in a single season: Therese Johaug's 20 individual victories in 2019/20.
- Klæbo has secured his fourth overall crystal globe. He joins Bjørn Dæhlie (6), Gunde Svan (5) and Dario Cologna (4) as men to have won the trophy at least four times.
- Klæbo also claimed his fifth sprint crystal globe. He already held the record with four trophies.
- Klæbo has won 39 individual sprint World Cup events (49 total podium finishes in the sprint). With one sprint event remaining this season he can equal Marit Bjørgen (40) as the cross-country skiers to have won the most individual World Cup sprints.
- Klæbo has won nine individual World Cup sprint events this season, a new record for most sprint World Cup victories in a single campaign.

Other contenders

- **Federico Pellegrino** is the only man besides Klæbo to win an individual freestyle World Cup sprint event this season, in Davos in December.
- Only Klæbo (39) claimed as many men's individual sprint World Cup victories as Pellegrino (17). Only one of Pellegrino's 17 wins came in classic style, in Canmore in March 2016.
- **Richard Jouve** is the only man other than Klæbo (8) to win multiple individual World Cup sprint events this season (2).
- All four of Jouve's individual sprint World Cup victories were in classic style events.
- **Even Northug** can join his brothers Petter (9) and Thomas (1) in winning an individual sprint World Cup event. Petter won twice in Lahti (2007, 2009).
- **Erik Valnes'** only individual World Cup win was in a sprint classic style event in Finland, in Ruka in November 2020.
- All of **Pål Golberg's** last 10 podium finishes in individual sprint World Cups were in classic style events.
- **Edvin Anger** (20-351) can become the second-youngest Swedish man on the podium of an individual World Cup event, behind only Per Elofsson's (20-343) third place in the men's 10km freestyle in Falun in March 1998.



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